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Application of: Kessler *et al.*

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Group Art Unit: 1634

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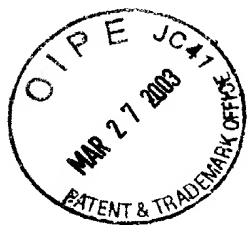
Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.
A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Applicants have carefully considered the non-final Office Action mailed December 31, 2002, in connection with the above-captioned Application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and remarks that follow is respectfully requested. Filed herewith are Exhibit A (Specification Amendment: Version with Markings to Show Changes Made), Exhibit B (Claim Amendment: Version with Markings to Show Changes Made), Exhibit C (Claim Amendment: Pending Claims After Entry of Instant Amendment), and an Amendment Fee Transmittal Sheet.